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Attorney Docket No. 2481.1403-02

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)

Ulrich STACHE et al.)

Examiner: B. Badio

Serial No.: 08/897,455)

Group Art Unit: 1616

Filed: July 22, 1997)

For: CORTICOID-17, 21-DICARBOXYLIC ESTERS AND CORTICOSTEROID 17-CARBOXYLIC ESTER 21-CARBONIC ESTERS, PROCESSES FOR THEIR PREPARATION AND PHARMACEUTICALS CONTAINING THESE COMPOUNDS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed is an Amendment in response to the Office action dated June 16, 1998 in the above-identified application. The items checked below are appropriate:

1. / / Applicants hereby petition for a _____ month extension of time to respond to said Office action. The fee of \$_____ is enclosed.
2. / / A check for \$_____ to cover the above fee is enclosed.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this Amendment, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 not accounted for above, such an extension of time is requested and the fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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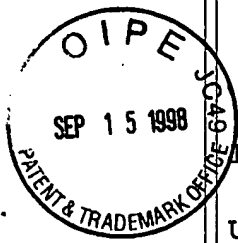

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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office action dated June 16, 1998, kindly enter the following amendment.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 4, 5, and 7 as follows:

4. (Amended) A pharmaceutical composition for treating dermatoses[, in particular those which are inflammatory and allergic, which has] containing an effective [content]. amount of a compound of the formula I as claimed in claim 1, together with a pharmaceutically acceptable additive.

5. (Twice amended) A method for treating dermatoses[, comprising] which comprises applying to skin in need of said treatment an effective amount of a compound of the formula I as

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